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Better to be despised for too anxious apprehensiveness than ruined by too confident a security.—Burke.

AN EXCELLENT OPPORTUNITY TO GET THE FACTS

A bill has been introduced in the senate extending the license of the Honolulu Brewing & Malting Company for fifteen years.

It is rumored around the capitol that none of the Oahu senators would introduce the bill, quite logically be unwilling to stand sponsor for booze to this extent. We don't blame them. For more than a year there have been intimations that the brewery crowd was rather deeply interested in the retail booze business, which is against the spirit and in certain aspects against the letter of the license law. There have been intimations and whisperings that the long arm of the brewery was grabbing in the retailers' profits. The recent charge by Dr. Wadman that the wholesalers are illicitly interested in the retail liquor business is in effect a charge against the brewery. Whether the brewery or its manager has been interested in retail licenses is a disputed point and one that the Oahu license commissioners have expressed themselves as being anxious to clear up.

The appearance of this bill in the senate affords an excellent opportunity for going to the bottom of the brewery's transactions. The senate is holding a series of public hearings on important measures. A public hearing on the brewery bill would be distinctly in order.

Let's have the facts. Dr. Wadman made definite charges. If they are true, the brewery's license should not be renewed. Are they true or untrue?

PEASE WELL BESTOWED

Gen. Carter's praise of the good conduct of the enlisted men in Honolulu during Carnival week is heartily echoed by the people of this city.

Seven thousand soldiers were in the city for the festivities but there was no perceptible increase in disorderliness. The enlisted men made a splendid record for orderly conduct and for self-restraint. The police authorities had no trouble with the soldiers, for they were taking care of themselves. They entered heartily into the care-free Carnival spirit and kept themselves within bounds far better than many civilians.

This is a fine record but it is typical of the majority of the soldiers stationed on Oahu. They are self-respecting American citizens, wishing neither to be petted nor patronized but to stand on their own feet. To many of them this talk of "What can we do for the soldier?" is objectionable because it smacks of patronage. The soldier asks only fair treatment and that much is his due.

The military helped very greatly to make the Carnival what it was, as they have helped before and will help again. And on duty and off the 7000 enlisted men acted more becomingly than 7000 college boys would have done, because they exercised more self-restraint. They have made Honolulu as well as their commands proud of the Oahu soldier.

PAVING PALAVER

Full publicity will not hurt any paving or any paving company which relies on merit to win its way in Honolulu.

The Star-Bulletin has no interest, direct or indirect, in any kind of paving except a public interest in paying that is economical and durable. In giving space to advocates of asphalt-macadam or bitulithic or sheet asphalt or asphalt concrete or any other material or mixture, this paper is actuated only by a desire to increase the public knowledge of good and bad brands.

Bitulithic properly laid and warrenite properly laid are good pavements. Even those who oppose warrenite and bitulithic do not deny this. What they say is that in adopting any patented pavement the tax-payers have to pay for the patent as well as for the material and the construction.

This is at the bottom of the opposition to adopting bitulithic for Manoa. On the other hand, Manoa clearly does not want a cheap pavement that will go to pieces in a few years. Asphalt-macadam as it has been laid in Honolulu is criticised as cheap and unsatisfactory. Most Manoaites are willing to pay a good price for a good job.

Contractors who are business rivals of the Bitulithic Paving and Concrete Company attack the selection of warrenite for Manoa.

Unless they are prepared to show conclusively that some other material or method of mixture will give satisfactory results for Manoa at a less cost, their criticism is not in order. If they can show Manoa property-owners a durable and satisfactory paving at a saving in expense, their criticism is in order.

But whose arguments are to be taken? How can the ordinary property-owner, with no technical knowledge of paving construction, decide between the rival claims put forward?

Normally the city engineer would have great influence in deciding the type of paving to be laid, but in this case what the city engineer says seems to be treated as of little weight.

It is just this situation that the College of Hawaii, as a public service institution, hopes to meet, just this problem it hopes to solve. The plan worked out by President Dean and Professor A. R. Keller, of a road engineering laboratory to test various types of paving and determine the best for various uses and various sections of the city, is a plan that ought to bring tangible results. Tax-payers, with a laboratory of this sort in operation, need accept the statements of no contractor. The tests will furnish the proper statement.

The legislature should pass the very reasonable appropriation bill for this road laboratory. In the meantime, all the facts and figures and all the publicity regarding the experience of other cities may be digested. If one contractor puts forward false claims, let his rival step up front and say they are false. In the ensuing melee of words, the public is likely to get a pretty clear idea of what it wants—and under the frontage-tax idea, what it wants is what goes.

LET HONOLULU FIX THE SALARIES

Mayor Lane's very creditable opposition to the legislative bill increasing his salary ought to be backed up by the opposition of the other city officials whose salaries the same measure seeks to raise. If this bill is wrong for him—and wrong it certainly is—it is equally wrong for them.

They were elected, as he was, with the full understanding of what their salaries were to be. They went before the people, as he did, on a platform of economy, and particularly on the pledge to hold down the city's "overhead" charges.

It would be basically wrong for them to urge or even to acquiesce in a bill raising those salaries during their term in office.

The people of Honolulu should have the right to say what salaries are paid their officials. If the house and senate desire to pass legislation that squares with the principle of broad self-government for this municipality, let them amend the city charter so that the voters of Honolulu may have the right to fix the salaries of their servants.

And let the Oahu member or members then come forward with the proposal now embodied in the house bill. Put the proposition to vote of the people—see whether they wish to boost salaries up and down the line.

The solemn manner in which Congress goes about tearing down all the work of Uncle Sam's real military experts in laying out army and navy programs constitutes one of the world's greatest wonders—how the statesmen get away with it. The orderly process of keeping the navy up to standard is entirely shattered when the politicians get hold of the appropriation bill. In eliminating the appropriation for a hospital ship, the congressional conferees are exhibiting their inability to legislate for the navy.

"Jim" Haley is confirmed United States internal revenue collector. Wyoming, Tennessee, South Carolina and Mississippi make their bows to Nevada.

J. P. Morgan is to be sued for the recovery of the will of Martha Washington. These will cases certainly do involve the financiers.

Utah is stepping along toward prohibition. It won't be long until Hawaii is in the small majority of "wet" commonwealths.

Civic center is a matter of civic sentiment and of civic sense.

Gen. Villa has been killed again.

Personal Mention

P. C. HALL, was a passenger from the island of Hawaii in the steamer Mauna Kea.

ATTORNEY EUGENE MURPHY of Wailuku, Maui, is in the city for a business visit.

JUDGE CHARLES F. CLEMONS and Mrs. Clemons have taken a cottage at the Seaside hotel, Waikeiki.

MISS ELLA CRIST, from Southern California, was an arrival in the Matson steamer Matsonia today.

J. A. MAGUIRE was numbered with the arrivals in the steamer Mauna Kea from Hilo this morning.

DR. A. N. SINCLAIR will leave for Kaula this evening to pick out a site for the tubercular home to be established there.

REPRESENTATIVE DR. GEORGE HUDDY has returned to his duties in the territorial legislature from a business trip to Hilo.

HARRY IRWIN of Hilo is in the city on a political and business mission. He was a passenger in the steamer Mauna Kea.

MRS. W. R. ECKART was a passenger from the coast in the Matsonia, to visit her son, F. C. Eckart, manager of Olapa plantation.

T. J. FLAVIN, U. S. postal inspector, has completed a tour of offices on the island of Maui. He returned to the city in the steamer Mauna Kea.

MRS. W. R. MEDOVICH is an arrival in the Matson steamer Matsonia today to visit her son, who is an officer in the United States naval tender Alert.

MRS. BRUCE CARTWRIGHT has completed an extended visit to the Pacific coast and the eastern states, returning to this city today in the Matson liner Matsonia.

J. LANGFORD STACK and Mrs. Stack, valet and maid from Chicago, reached the city in the Matsonia today. They will occupy their new home for the winter months.

JAMES C. PARRISH, Jr., prominent in San Francisco commercial circles, is a visitor to this city, arriving in the steamer Matsonia. He will remain for some weeks in the islands.

JOSEPH S. BRUNDAGE, representing a large mainland rubber company, is an arrival in the Matsonia to make a business tour of the islands. He expects to remain here for some weeks.

HORATIO W. ADAMS and Mrs. Adams, prominent New York society people, are at the head of a small party of eastern tourists to reach the city today in the Matson steamer Matsonia.

REV. FATHER PHILIP is dangerously ill at the Kalawao mission, Molokai settlement, and Bishop Libert of Honolulu has despatched the steamer Mikahala to Molokai to bring Father Philip to Queen's hospital here.

G. NAUBU, formerly secretary of the Japan Association of America, arrived in Honolulu in the Matsonia today from San Francisco. He will take the position of associate editor with the Hawaii Shimpu, the local daily Japanese newspaper.

MRS. FRANK G. TAVARES, formerly Miss Ida Fernandes of this city, arrived from San Francisco in the Matsonia today. While visiting on the coast, Mrs. Tavares took in the sights of the Panama-Pacific exposition.

MR. D. M. ANDERSON and Mrs. Anderson of Watertown, N. Y., arrived in the Matsonia to spend a few weeks in Honolulu. Mrs. Anderson is the sister of R. C. Lydecker, archivist of the territory. In the party with Mr. and Mrs. Anderson are Mrs. William G. Johnson of Watertown and Mrs. George A. Gibbs of Chicago. The party will stop at the Moana hotel.

Completing the discharge of 4500 tons of Japanese coal, the steamer Shinkai Maru, steamed for Makatea Island today. This vessel has been chartered to take a shipment of phosphate to Japan.

The Pacific Mail liner Mongolia is one day late in leaving Japan, according to cable received today, which states the vessel, with a large Oriental freight and many Asiatic steamer passengers, steamed from Yokohama for Honolulu February 28.

The schooner James Tuff yesterday sailed from Port Allen for Astoria. The vessel finished the discharge of a shipment of Chilean nitrates.

DWELLINGS FOR RENT.

FURNISHED HOUSES.	
1811A Kalia road, Waikeiki	4 bedrooms.....\$40.00
2223 Kalia road, Waikeiki	2 bedrooms.....50.00
2336 Oahu Avenue, Manoa	4 bedrooms.....75.00
Upper Manoa road	2 bedrooms.....40.00
Tantalus	3 bedrooms.....45.00
UNFURNISHED HOUSES.	
1146 Gulick Avenue, Kalia	2 bedrooms.....\$35.00
1475 Thurston Avenue	5 bedrooms.....40.00
1582 Wilder Avenue	4 bedrooms.....40.00
1139 8th Avenue, Kaimuki	4 bedrooms.....45.00
1326 Kapoluani Street	3 bedrooms.....40.00
Ferdinand and Adolph Streets, Manoa	2 bedrooms.....45.00
Kunawai lane, off Liliha Street	3 bedrooms.....25.00
Kunawai lane and Liliha street	2 bedrooms.....13.00
Cottages Nos. 2 and 3, Auld lane	3 bedrooms.....16.00
Aloha lane, off King street	3 bedrooms.....17.50

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KUPIHEA DEFENDS HIMSELF AGAINST COURT'S CHARGES

Makes Vigorous Denial that He Contributed to Delinquency of Niece and Daughter

David M. Kuphea, Democratic representative from the fifth district, Oahu, made a vigorous denial of all the charges made by Circuit Judge Ashford against him at the preliminary hearing of the house investigating committee in the representatives' chamber last night. Judge Ashford denounced Kuphea at the close of the trial of two soldiers charged with contributing to the delinquency of Kuphea's daughter and niece recently.

Owing to the absence of Kuphea's attorney, Lorin Andrews, nothing was done last night further than to take Kuphea's statement regarding the events which led up to the arrest of the two soldiers. Chairman Rawlins of the investigating committee interrogated Kuphea on one or two points. The representative declared that he attempted to stop the carousals at his home and called a police officer on one occasion to put out two soldiers.

He denied that any liquor-fests or such parties ever were held in his home. He said that if any such events took place, they were held in a house owned jointly by his sister, Mrs. Johnson, and himself, the part of an estate left to both and over which litigation between the two is now in progress. He said that this house was some distance from his own home and that he and his sister were not on speaking terms. He declared that the girls refused to live with him, although he had done all in his power to give them a good home. He said they lived with his sister.

He told the committee that when he got his first pay from the legislature in 1913 he took the girls out of the industrial school and placed them in a private institution where they remained until his funds became exhausted. At the conclusion of the statement, Chairman Rawlins asked Kuphea a few questions.

"Were you aware of your daughter's delinquency?"

"No; I did not know that she was doing anything wrong."

"Did you do anything to stop these occurrences after you learned what they were?" Rawlins continued.

"Yes," answered Kuphea, "I assisted in the arrest of the soldiers. I heard a noise about there and I sent a Portuguese boy out to call a policeman and Officer Morahan made the arrest."

Kuphea said he would call the policeman and Chief of Detectives J. C. Duffie later to bear out this statement.

"Do you ever gamble?" Rawlins asked him.

"I don't know how to play any card games," was the reply. "I never gambled in my life."

Nearly everyone concerned in the case was present except Judge Ashford.

A large number of men and women interested in child welfare and civic morality were in the audience, and many members of the house attended. Attorneys Alexander Larnach and George Curry were also in attendance, ready to be called if their testimony is wished. They defended the two soldiers in the trial before Judge Ashford.

It is stated that they are prepared to testify to circumstances that will indicate Kuphea knew about the delinquencies at the house where the girls were found with the soldiers. It is expected they will be called at the next hearing.

Little Interviews

—SUPERVISOR HORNER: I am hoping to get action soon on straightening out and enforcing the traffic ordinance. Today I am meeting with a representative of the new Automobile club to discuss the matter.

—WILL H. HARGREAR (in a letter to James S. McCandless): By the way, the Hawaii fish exhibit is a wonder. The building is packed morning, noon and night, and you have to fight your way to get in to see the "painted fish." The fair is a winner.

—SENATOR A. J. WIRTZ: The public is always welcome at the senate hearings, of which there are to be a number this session. The bill giving electric companies the right of eminent domain, for instance, is one of great interest here, where our lands are limited and intensive agriculture is the rule. That is to be discussed, probably at the public hearing Thursday evening.

BENCH WARRANT FOR MURASKY IS ISSUED; SUPERVISORS GET BUSY

City Official Charged With Serious Violations of Auto-Law to Appear in Court—Horner and Quinn Want to Get Facts—May Move His Discharge

With two members of the board of supervisors as interested spectators at police court this morning, Charles G. Murasky, city building and plumbing inspector, failed to appear in court to answer to three charges of violating the auto regulations.

As a result, not only was a bench warrant issued and police officers sent to search for the missing official, but the supervisors, Horner and Quinn, gave strong intimations that they will immediately begin an investigation of Murasky's conduct.

Supervisor Horner, chairman of the police committee, said:

"If the charges against Murasky are true, he is a disgrace to the city government and should be discharged."

It was to learn for themselves what Murasky's offense amounted to that the supervisors went to the police court. Three charges—of reckless driving, of driving on the wrong side of the street, and of driving without proper lights—stand against Murasky, who was arrested yesterday and released on his own recognizance. He is charged with having hit two men in his heedless course.

When the case was called, Murasky did not answer and immediately bench warrants were issued but later in the morning Deputy Attorney Chillingworth reported to the court that the inspector had not been found though a number of officers were looking for him.

Murasky was in an auto numbered

1768. It is said this machine is not a municipal car but one obtained from a local garage on the statement that a new auto was to be bought by the city and this was to be tried out.

Murasky's case was continued until he could be found and brought to court. He was brought to the station at 1:15 this afternoon by Detective Kellett.

James McQueen, also charged with reckless driving, was in court but on request of his attorney, J. A. Magoon, the case was continued until tomorrow.

RICH WOMAN WHO ACTED AS WAR NURSE IN FRANCE IS VISITOR IN HONOLULU

Mrs. James G. Parrish, Jr., prominent in New York society, who recently returned to the mainland from a prolonged stay in France, was numbered with the passengers in the Matson Navigation steamer Matsonia this morning. Mrs. Parrish came to California by the way of the Panama Canal. At the outbreak of the European war, Mrs. Parrish joined the Red Cross Nurses at Desautels, where she assisted in nursing many soldiers back to life. Mrs. Parrish said today that out of 327 patients in the hospital at the time she was there only three had died. A number of New York society women were enrolled as nurses in the same institution.

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1259 Kinau St.	3 bedrooms.....	50.00
2568 Rooke St., Puhani	4 bedrooms.....	75.00
2562 Jones St., Manoa Valley	4 bedrooms.....	60.00
250 Lewers Rd., Waikeiki	3 bedrooms.....	50.00
1313 Makiki St.	3 bedrooms.....	40.00
Cor. Park and 14th Ave., Kaimuki	2 bedrooms.....	40.00
Kinau and Makiki	3 bedrooms.....	50.00

UNFURNISHED

1323 Kinau St.	3 bedrooms.....	\$35.00
1877 Kalaheua Ave.	3 bedrooms.....	50.00
1126 King St.	5 bedrooms.....	50.00
Wilder Ave. & Alexander St.	2 bedrooms.....	20.00
2015 Oahu Ave., Manoa Valley	2 bedrooms.....	30.00
2130 Kamehameha Ave., Manoa	3 bedrooms.....	40.00
Cor. Mokuauia & Coffey Sts.	3 bedrooms.....	15.00
Kalihi	3 bedrooms.....	27.50
1454 Thurston Ave.	2 bedrooms.....	20.00
1046 King St.	2 bedrooms.....	20.00
702 Wyllie St. and Puhani Ave.	4 bedrooms.....	50.00

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